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In re Application of  
Davide Grassetti and Camillo Moro  
Application No. 10/044,463  
Filed: January 10, 2002  
Attorney Docket Number: 497872000400  
Title of Invention: METHOD OF  
IMMUNOMODULATION USING  
THIONE-FORMING DISULFIDES

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) filed January 20, 2004.

The petition to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) is **DISMISSED**.

Any request for reconsideration must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR § 1.137(a)." This is **not** a final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely submit a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed March 14, 2002. The notice set an extendable 2 month period for reply. No extensions of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on May 15, 2002. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on December 15, 2003.

A review of the petition submitted shows that the petition was not signed by a proper party of interest. All correspondence concerning this application must be signed by: 1) all named applicants (inventors), 2) all the owners of the rights to the invention, or 3) a registered attorney or agent duly appointed by the inventor(s) or the owner(s). Furthermore, all communications from the Office will be addressed to the first named inventor, unless specific instructions to the contrary are supplied by the named inventor(s) or owner(s).

While an applicant may prosecute the application, lack of skill in this field usually acts as a liability in affording the maximum protection for the invention disclosed. Applicant is, therefore, encouraged to secure the services of a registered patent attorney or agent (i.e., registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office) to prosecute the application, since the value of a patent is largely dependent upon skillful preparation and prosecution.

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